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## HOUSE ENROLLED ACT No. 1971

AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning professions and occupations.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. IC 23-1.5-1-9 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 9. "Licensing authority" means the following:

- (1) In the case of an accounting professional, the Indiana state board of public accountancy.
- (2) In the case of an architectural professional, the board of registration for architects.
- (3) In the case of an engineering professional, the state board of registration for professional engineers.
- (4) In the case of an attorney, the Indiana supreme court.
- (5) In the case of a health care professional who is:
  - (A) a chiropractor, the board of chiropractic examiners;
  - (B) a dentist, the state board of dental examiners dentistry;
  - (C) a nurse, the Indiana state board of nursing;
  - (D) an optometrist, the Indiana optometry board;
  - (E) a pharmacist, the Indiana board of pharmacy;
  - (F) a physical therapist, the Indiana physical therapy committee;
  - (G) a physician, the medical licensing board of Indiana;











- (H) a podiatrist, the board of podiatric medicine;
- (I) a psychologist, the state psychology board; or
- (J) a speech-language pathologist, the speech-language pathology and audiology board.
- (6) In the case of a veterinarian, the Indiana board of veterinary medical examiners.
- (7) In the case of a land surveyor, the state board of registration for land surveyors.
- (8) In the case of a real estate professional, the Indiana real estate commission.

SECTION 2. IC 25-1-2-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 6. (a) As used in this section, "license" includes all occupational and professional licenses, registrations, permits, and certificates issued under the Indiana Code, and "licensee" includes all occupational and professional licensees, registrants, permittees, and certificate holders regulated under the Indiana Code.

- (b) This section applies to the following entities that regulate occupations or professions under the Indiana Code:
  - (1) Indiana board of accountancy.
  - (2) Indiana grain buyers and warehouse licensing agency.
  - (3) Indiana auctioneer commission.
  - (4) Board of registration for architects.
  - (5) State board of barber examiners.
  - (6) State board of cosmetology examiners.
  - (7) Medical licensing board of Indiana.
  - (8) Secretary of state.
  - (9) State board of dental examiners dentistry.
  - (10) State board of funeral and cemetery service.
  - (11) Worker's compensation board of Indiana.
  - (12) Indiana state board of health facility administrators.
  - (13) Committee of hearing aid dealer examiners.
  - (14) Indiana state board of nursing.
  - (15) Indiana optometry board.
  - (16) Indiana board of pharmacy.
  - (17) Indiana plumbing commission.
  - (18) Board of podiatric medicine.
  - (19) Private detectives licensing board.
  - (20) State board of registration for professional engineers.
  - (21) Board of environmental health specialists.
  - (22) State psychology board.
  - (23) Indiana real estate commission.







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- (24) Speech-language pathology and audiology board.
- (25) Department of natural resources.
- (26) State boxing commission.
- (27) Board of chiropractic examiners.
- (28) Mining board.
- (29) Indiana board of veterinary medical examiners.
- (30) State department of health.
- (31) Indiana physical therapy committee.
- (32) Respiratory care committee.
- (33) Occupational therapy committee.
- (34) Social worker, marriage and family therapist, and mental health counselor board.
- (35) Real estate appraiser licensure and certification board.
- (36) State board of registration for land surveyors.
- (37) Physician assistant committee.
- (38) Indiana dietitians certification board.
- (39) Indiana hypnotist committee.
- (40) Any other occupational or professional agency created after June 30, 1981.
- (c) Notwithstanding any other law, the entities included in subsection (b) shall send a notice of the upcoming expiration of a license to each licensee at least sixty (60) days prior to the expiration of the license. The notice must inform the licensee of the need to renew and the requirement of payment of the renewal fee. If this notice of expiration is not sent by the entity, the licensee is not subject to a sanction for failure to renew if, once notice is received from the entity, the license is renewed within forty-five (45) days of the receipt of the notice.

SECTION 3. IC 25-1-5-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 3. (a) There is established the health professions bureau. The bureau shall perform all administrative functions, duties, and responsibilities assigned by law or rule to the executive director, secretary, or other statutory administrator of the following:

- (1) Board of chiropractic examiners (IC 25-10-1).
- (2) State board of dental examiners dentistry (IC 25-14-1).
- (3) Indiana state board of health facility administrators (IC 25-19-1).
- (4) Medical licensing board of Indiana (IC 25-22.5-2).
- (5) Indiana state board of nursing (IC 25-23-1).
- (6) Indiana optometry board (IC 25-24).
- (7) Indiana board of pharmacy (IC 25-26).





- (8) Board of podiatric medicine (IC 25-29-2-1).
- (9) Board of environmental health specialists (IC 25-32).
- (10) Speech-language pathology and audiology board (IC 25-35.6-2).
- (11) State psychology board (IC 25-33).
- (12) Indiana board of veterinary medical examiners (IC 15-5-1.1).
- (13) Controlled substances advisory committee (IC 35-48-2-1).
- (14) Committee of hearing aid dealer examiners (IC 25-20).
- (15) Indiana physical therapy committee (IC 25-27).
- (16) Respiratory care committee (IC 25-34.5).
- (17) Occupational therapy committee (IC 25-23.5).
- (18) Social worker, marriage and family therapist, and mental health counselor board (IC 25-23.6).
- (19) Physician assistant committee (IC 25-27.5).
- (20) Indiana athletic trainers board (IC 25-5.1-2-1).
- (21) Indiana dietitians certification board (IC 25-14.5-2-1).
- (22) Indiana hypnotist committee (IC 25-20.5-1-7).
- (b) Nothing in this chapter may be construed to give the bureau policy making authority, which authority remains with each board.

SECTION 4. IC 25-1-7-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 1. As used in this chapter:

"Board" means the appropriate agency listed in the definition of regulated occupation in this section.

"Director" refers to the director of the division of consumer protection.

"Division" refers to the division of consumer protection, office of the attorney general.

"Licensee" means a person who is:

- (1) licensed, certified, or registered by a board listed in this section; and
- (2) the subject of a complaint filed with the division.

"Person" means an individual, a partnership, a limited liability company, or a corporation.

"Regulated occupation" means an occupation in which a person is licensed, certified, or registered by one (1) of the following:

- (1) Indiana board of accountancy (IC 25-2.1-2-1).
- (2) Board of registration for architects (IC 25-4-1-2).
- (3) Indiana auctioneer commission (IC 25-6.1-2-1).
- (4) State board of barber examiners (IC 25-7-5-1).
- (5) State boxing commission (IC 25-9-1).
- (6) Board of chiropractic examiners (IC 25-10-1).
- (7) State board of cosmetology examiners (IC 25-8-3-1).

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- (8) State board of dental examiners dentistry (IC 25-14-1).
- (9) State board of funeral and cemetery service (IC 25-15-9).
- (10) State board of registration for professional engineers (IC 25-31-1-3).
- (11) Indiana state board of health facility administrators (IC 25-19-1).
- (12) Medical licensing board of Indiana (IC 25-22.5-2).
- (13) Indiana state board of nursing (IC 25-23-1).
- (14) Indiana optometry board (IC 25-24).
- (15) Indiana board of pharmacy (IC 25-26).
- (16) Indiana plumbing commission (IC 25-28.5-1-3).
- (17) Board of podiatric medicine (IC 25-29-2-1).
- (18) Board of environmental health specialists (IC 25-32-1).
- (19) State psychology board (IC 25-33).
- (20) Speech-language pathology and audiology board (IC 25-35.6-2).
- (21) Indiana real estate commission (IC 25-34.1-2).
- (22) Indiana board of veterinary medical examiners (IC 15-5-1.1).
- (23) Department of natural resources for purposes of licensing water well drillers under IC 25-39-3.
- (24) Respiratory care committee (IC 25-34.5).
- (25) Private detectives licensing board (IC 25-30-1-5.1).
- (26) Occupational therapy committee (IC 25-23.5).
- (27) Social worker, marriage and family therapist, and mental health counselor board (IC 25-23.6).
- (28) Real estate appraiser licensure and certification board (IC 25-34.1-8).
- (29) State board of registration for land surveyors (IC 25-21.5-2-1).
- (30) Physician assistant committee (IC 25-27.5).
- (31) Indiana athletic trainers board (IC 25-5.1-2-1).
- (32) Indiana dietitians certification board (IC 25-14.5-2-1).
- (33) Indiana hypnotist committee (IC 25-20.5-1-7).
- (34) Indiana physical therapy committee (IC 25-27).
- (35) Any other occupational or professional agency created after June 30, 1981.

SECTION 5. IC 25-1-8-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "board" means any of the following:

- (1) Indiana board of accountancy (IC 25-2.1-2-1).
- (2) Board of registration for architects (IC 25-4-1-2).
- (3) Indiana auctioneer commission (IC 25-6.1-2-1).

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- (4) State board of barber examiners (IC 25-7-5-1).
- (5) State boxing commission (IC 25-9-1).
- (6) Board of chiropractic examiners (IC 25-10-1).
- (7) State board of cosmetology examiners (IC 25-8-3-1).
- (8) State board of dental examiners dentistry (IC 25-14-1).
- (9) State board of funeral and cemetery service (IC 25-15).
- (10) State board of registration for professional engineers (IC 25-31-1-3).
- (11) Indiana state board of health facility administrators (IC 25-19-1).
- (12) Medical licensing board of Indiana (IC 25-22.5-2).
- (13) Mining board (IC 22-10-1.5-2).
- (14) Indiana state board of nursing (IC 25-23-1).
- (15) Indiana optometry board (IC 25-24).
- (16) Indiana board of pharmacy (IC 25-26).
- (17) Indiana plumbing commission (IC 25-28.5-1-3).
- (18) Board of environmental health specialists (IC 25-32-1).
- (19) State psychology board (IC 25-33).
- (20) Speech-language pathology and audiology board (IC 25-35.6-2).
- (21) Indiana real estate commission (IC 25-34.1-2-1).
- (22) Indiana board of veterinary medical examiners (IC 15-5-1.1-3).
- (23) Department of insurance (IC 27-1).
- (24) State police department (IC 10-1-1-1), for purposes of certifying polygraph examiners under IC 25-30-2.
- (25) Department of natural resources for purposes of licensing water well drillers under IC 25-39-3.
- (26) Private detectives licensing board (IC 25-30-1-5.1).
- (27) Occupational therapy committee (IC 25-23.5-2-1).
- (28) Social worker, marriage and family therapist, and mental health counselor board (IC 25-23.6-2-1).
- (29) Real estate appraiser licensure and certification board (IC 25-34.1-8).
- (30) State board of registration for land surveyors (IC 25-21.5-2-1).
- (31) Physician assistant committee (IC 25-27.5).
- (32) Indiana athletic trainers board (IC 25-5.1-2-1).
- (33) Board of podiatric medicine (IC 25-29-2-1).
- (34) Indiana dietitians certification board (IC 25-14.5-2-1).
- (35) Indiana physical therapy committee (IC 25-27).
- (36) Any other occupational or professional agency created after



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SECTION 6. IC 25-1-9-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "board" means any of the following:

- (1) Board of chiropractic examiners (IC 25-10-1).
- (2) State board of dental examiners dentistry (IC 25-14-1).
- (3) Indiana state board of health facility administrators (IC 25-19-1).
- (4) Medical licensing board of Indiana (IC 25-22.5-2).
- (5) Indiana state board of nursing (IC 25-23-1).
- (6) Indiana optometry board (IC 25-24).
- (7) Indiana board of pharmacy (IC 25-26).
- (8) Board of podiatric medicine (IC 25-29-2-1).
- (9) Board of environmental health specialists (IC 25-32).
- (10) Speech-language pathology and audiology board (IC 25-35.6-2).
- (11) State psychology board (IC 25-33).
- (12) Indiana board of veterinary medical examiners (IC 15-5-1.1).
- (13) Indiana physical therapy committee (IC 25-27-1).
- (14) Respiratory care committee (IC 25-34.5).
- (15) Occupational therapy committee (IC 25-23.5).
- (16) Social worker, marriage and family therapist, and mental health counselor board (IC 25-23.6).
- (17) Physician assistant committee (IC 25-27.5).
- (18) Indiana athletic trainers board (IC 25-5.1-2-1).
- (19) Indiana dietitians certification board (IC 25-14.5-2-1).
- (20) Indiana hypnotist committee (IC 25-20.5-1-7).

SECTION 7. IC 25-13-1-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 2. As used in this article:

- (a) "Dental hygienist" means one who is especially educated and trained in the science and art of maintaining the dental health of the individual or community through prophylactic or preventive measures applied to the teeth and adjacent structures.
- (b) "License" means the license to practice dental hygiene issued by the <del>Indiana</del> state board of <del>dental</del> examiners **dentistry** to dental hygienist candidates who satisfactorily pass the board's examinations.
- (c) "Board" means the Indiana state board of dental examiners dentistry established by IC 25-14-1.
- (d) "Proprietor dentist" means a licensed dentist who is the owner and operator of the dental office in which he practices the profession of dentistry and who employs at least one (1) dentist or dental hygienist







to supplement his operation and conduct of his dental office.

- (e) "Employer dentist" means a proprietor dentist who employs at least one (1) dental hygienist to supplement his dental service to his clientele.
- (f) "Referral" means a recommendation that a patient seek further dental care from a licensed dentist, but not a specific dentist.
- (g) "Screening" means to identify and assess the health of the hard or soft tissues of the human oral cavity.
- (h) "Public health setting" means a location, including a mobile health care vehicle, where the public is invited for health care, information, and services by a program sponsored or endorsed by a governmental entity or charitable organization.

SECTION 8. IC 25-13-1-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 6. When applying to the board for examination, the applicant must submit an application and the applicant's credentials, except for proof of the applicant's graduation from an institution for educating dental hygienists, in the form and manner prescribed by the board at least thirty (30) forty-five (45) days prior to the examination date. The applicant must submit proof of the applicant's graduation at least seven (7) days before the examination date. The applicant:

- (1) must not have been convicted of a crime that has a direct bearing on the applicant's ability to practice competently; and
- (2) must be a graduate of a school for dental hygienists that:
  - (A) is accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association;
  - (B) is recognized by the board; and
  - (C) requires a formal course of training of not less than two (2) years of eight (8) months each.

SECTION 9. IC 25-14-1-1.5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 1.5. As used in this article:

"Board" refers to the state board of dental examiners dentistry established under this chapter.

"Bureau" refers to the health professions service bureau under IC 25-1-5.

"Deep sedation" means a controlled state of depressed consciousness, accompanied by partial loss of protective reflexes, including inability to respond purposefully to verbal command, produced by a pharmacologic method.

"General anesthesia" means a controlled state of unconsciousness, accompanied by partial or complete loss of protective reflexes,



including inability to independently maintain an airway and respond purposefully to physical stimulation or verbal command, produced by a pharmacologic method.

"Light parenteral conscious sedation" means a minimally depressed level of consciousness under which an individual retains the ability to independently and continuously maintain an airway and respond appropriately to physical stimulation and verbal command, produced by an intravenous pharmacologic method.

SECTION 10. IC 25-14-1-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 2. (a) The state board of dental examiners dentistry is established and consists of:

- (1) nine (9) practicing dentists who must have been in practice in this state for not less than the five (5) years;
- (2) one (1) practicing dental hygienist licensed under IC 25-13-1; and
- (3) one (1) member to represent the general public who must be a resident to this state and in no way associated with the profession of dentistry other than as a consumer.

All eleven (11) members of the board shall be appointed by the governor for a term of three (3) years each. Any member of the board may serve until the member's successor is appointed and qualified under this chapter. A member may serve consecutive terms, but no member may serve more than three (3) terms or a total of nine (9) years.

- (b) The appointment of the dentist members shall be made in a manner that, at all times, each dentist member on the board represents and is a resident of one (1) of nine (9) examiner districts set forth in this subsection. Each dentist member shall be chiefly responsible in the performance of his duties with regard to the district from which he is appointed. The nine (9) dentist members' districts consist of the following counties:
  - (1) District 1. Tipton, Hamilton, Hendricks, Marion, Hancock, Morgan, Johnson, and Shelby.
  - (2) District 2. Lake, Porter, LaPorte, and Jasper.
  - (3) District 3. St. Joseph, Elkhart, Starke, Marshall, Kosciusko, and Fulton.
  - (4) District 4. LaGrange, Steuben, Jay, Noble, Whitley, Allen, Huntington, Wells, DeKalb, and Adams.
  - (5) District 5. Knox, Daviess, Gibson, Pike, Dubois, Posey, Vanderburgh, Warrick, Spencer, and Perry.
  - (6) District 6. Newton, Benton, White, Pulaski, Cass, Miami, Wabash, Grant, Howard, Carroll, Warren, Tippecanoe, and









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- (7) District 7. Vermillion, Parke, Fountain, Montgomery, Boone, Putnam, Vigo, Clay, Sullivan, Owen, Greene, and Martin.
- (8) District 8. Madison, Delaware, Blackford, Randolph, Rush, Fayette, Union, Henry, and Wayne.
- (9) District 9. Monroe, Brown, Bartholomew, Decatur, Franklin, Lawrence, Jackson, Jennings, Ripley, Dearborn, Orange, Washington, Scott, Jefferson, Switzerland, Ohio, Crawford, Harrison, Floyd, and Clark.
- (c) The board shall examine all applicants for licenses who present the credentials set forth in this article and issue licenses to all applicants who pass a satisfactory examination.

SECTION 11. IC 25-14-1-14 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 14. The attorney general, prosecuting attorney, the state board of dental examiners **dentistry**, or any citizen of any county where any person shall engage in the practice of dentistry, as herein defined, without possessing a valid license so to do, may, in accordance with the laws of the state of Indiana governing injunctions, maintain an action in the name of the state of Indiana to enjoin such person from engaging in the practice of dentistry, as herein defined, until a valid license to practice dentistry be secured. And any person who has been so enjoined who shall violate such injunction shall be punished for contempt of court: Provided, That such injunction shall not relieve such person so practicing dentistry without a valid license from a criminal prosecution therefor as is now provided by law, but such remedy by injunction shall be in addition to any remedy now provided for the criminal prosecution of such offender. In charging any person in a complaint for injunction, or in an affidavit, information or indictment, with a violation of this law by practicing dentistry without a valid license, it shall be sufficient to charge that such person did, upon a certain day and in a certain county, engage in the practice of dentistry, he not having a valid license so to do, without averring any further or more particular facts concerning the same.

SECTION 12. IC 25-14-1-16 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 16. (a) An applicant for examination under this article must submit to the board at least thirty (30) forty-five (45) days before the examination date an application in a form and manner prescribed by the board and proof satisfactory to the board that the applicant has not been convicted of a crime that has a direct bearing on the applicant's ability to practice competently. An applicant must submit proof to the board at least seven (7) days before





the examination date that the applicant is a graduate of a dental school that is recognized by the board.

- (b) The board may issue a license upon payment of a fee, set by the board under section 13 of this chapter, to an applicant who furnishes proof satisfactory to the board that the applicant is a dentist who:
  - (1) is licensed in another state or a province of Canada that has licensing requirements substantially equal to those in effect in Indiana on the date of application;
  - (2) has practiced dentistry for at least five (5) of the nine (9) years preceding the date of application;
  - (3) passes the law examination administered by the board;
  - (4) has completed at least twenty (20) hours of continuing education in the previous two (2) years; and
  - (5) meets all other requirements of this chapter.
- (c) The board shall have power to adopt rules under section 13 of this chapter for licensure by endorsement.
- (d) An applicant shall, at the request of the board, make an appearance before the board.

SECTION 13. IC 25-14-1-17 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 17. A person practicing dentistry, upon written demand made by the secretary of the state board of dental examiners dentistry, shall not fail to furnish in writing, within twenty (20) days after such demand, the name and address of each person practicing or assisting in the practice of dentistry in the office of said person, together with a sworn statement showing by what authority or license such person or persons are practicing dentistry and in what capacity nonlicensed persons are assisting in practice; said list of names and addresses shall include all persons who have been thus employed within the sixty (60) days next preceding such demand; however, such affidavit may not be used as evidence against either said person or persons so reported in any proceeding under this chapter.

SECTION 14. IC 25-14-1-21 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 21. It shall be the duty of the attorney general to represent the **state** board of dental examiners dentistry in any court in which an action may be filed for the review of an order of the board as provided for in section 20 of this chapter. The attorney general may, at his discretion, call to his assistance in such action, the prosecuting attorney of the county in which such action is filed. Also, the board, with the written consent of the attorney general, shall have the right to employ, out of its own funds, any other attorney or attorneys to assist the attorney general in any such action.

SECTION 15. IC 25-14-3-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS











FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "board" refers to the state board of dental examiners dentistry established under IC 25-14-1-2.

SECTION 16. IC 25-14-4-9 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 9. Before January 2, 1994, the state board of dental examiners dentistry established by IC 25-14-1-2 shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 that may include the following:

- (1) Guidelines regarding the referral of subscribing dentists for specialty services.
- (2) Guidelines for ensuring that patient referrals by the for-profit dental referral service must be initiated by a patient.
- (3) Guidelines for ensuring that the for-profit dental referral service does not impose a fee on the subscribing dentists dependent upon the number of referrals or the amount of professional fees paid by the patient to the dentist.
- (4) Guidelines for ensuring there is a prohibition against for-profit dental referral services limiting dentist subscribers solely on the basis of a dentist's exclusive geographic location.
- (5) Guidelines regarding dentists basing fees on services performed with no additional fee charged because the patient is a referral.
- (6) Guidelines for preventing for-profit dental referral service advertisements that are false, misleading, or deceptive.
- (7) Guidelines considering the content of disclaimers required in section 4 of this chapter for dental referral services that advertise on television or any other medium that combine audio and video. Such guidelines may require both audio and visual disclaimers.
- (8) A procedure for a for-profit dental referral service to forward complaints to the proper state authority.
- (9) Appropriate safeguards to ensure that all subscribing dentists are fairly selected for referrals on a rotating basis.
- (10) Guidelines for ensuring that a for-profit dental referral service must charge each subscribing dentist in the same advertising market the same fee to become a member of the service.

